1 2	3	4	5	6
21. Sikkim	26	11	11	19
22. TamrlNadu	5848	1275	2118	1794
23. Tripura	217	69	87	106
24. Uttar Pradesh	14819	3118	5653	4391
25. West Bengal	4639	1107	2064	1694
26. All Union Terr.	70	19	25	25
All India:	63389	20092	24894	28827

Subsidies to MDFVL

181. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mother Dairy Fruit and Vegetable Limited (MDFVL) is a public limited company, with reported turnover of Rs. 900 crores, and is manufacturing high-end consumer items such as ice cream;

(b) whether MDFVL is a profit making entity and no longer qualifies for subsidies such as subsidized rental for its booths in the National Capital Region; and

(c) whether it has been considered inviting competitive bidding for shelf space at the Mother Dairy booths for generating additional revenues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO N ARA YAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir. Mother Dairy Fruit & Vegetable Ltd. is a Public Limited Company. It had a turnover of about Rs. 838 crores during the accounting year ending March 2001 mostly from the sale of liquid milk, fresh fruit and vegetables. Ice cream sales constitute only about 5% of the total turnover of the Company.

(b) The land is given on lease basis by the local authorities on which MDFVL construct its booths on its own cost. During the accounting year ending 2001 the Company earned a net profit of Rs. 84 lacs, which is negligible on a turnover of Rs. 838 crores. Increasing of lease rent will adversely affect the benefits being passed on to the rural producers and the consumers.

(c) No Sir. Mother Dairy booths are selling products manufactured under its own brand name and the produce of the Cooperatives only. MDFVL is not considering inviting competitive bids for shelf space in its booths. Giving shelf space by inviting competitive bid will adversely affect the Cooperatives.